



West Ham Church School

With God all things are possible

Headteacher's Newsletter
Summer 1, Week 1
Monday 8th April

The Governors and staff at West Ham Church School would like to wish all our families who are will be celebrating the breaking of the Ramadan fast

Happy Eid Mubarak

Our Vision Statement

Our vision is to enable children, with God's guidance,
To know and appreciate the **wonder** of God's creation
To live in **harmony** embracing differences,
To always act with **compassion**
inspired by the example of Jesus,
And to have the **strength** to follow
their dreams and achieve their goals

Wonder ~ Harmony ~ Compassion ~ Strength

Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope you have had a good Easter holiday; we enjoyed our World Maths day today - thank you for all our efforts with maths themed outfits.

We are deeply saddened by the loss of our friend and colleague, Mrs Iboroma. Staff and children will be supported in their grief over the coming half term. Please contact us should you need support in talking to your child about death and loss. Simon, our vicar, has also offered his support and prayers. I hope you have had a chance to read my letter; our condolences are with Mrs Iboroma's family and friends.

Yours respectfully,
Mrs. James, Headteacher

Extra booster classes, free breakfast club & yoga for Year 6

All Year 6 are invited to attend extra booster classes starting at 8:15am Tuesday - Friday with Miss Shaw & her UKS2 team. We are offering a free breakfast club at 7:30am for Year 6 during this half term, giving them a good start in the morning in readiness for their learning. Some children will also be invited to booster classes after school - please support us in this endeavour to help your child reach the expected year 6 standard in time for the end of KS2 SATS.

To help support good mental health, we have employed a yoga teacher, Ms Tshinene, for Year 6 to have weekly sessions on a Tuesday afternoon.

What's on this week?

World Autism Awareness Week: we will be raising awareness and encouraging acceptance; learning to embrace differences to live in harmony in line with our school value.

Monday 8th April Back to school - World Maths Day

Children are encouraged to come to school dressed up in a simple home made outfit supporting the maths theme.

Tuesday 9th April - Year 3 Swimming

All year 3 children are going swimming until half term. Please ensure they have all the correct kit. Swimming is a national curriculum requirement.

Wednesday 10th April -

Tentative date for Eid al-Fitr celebrations (Kindly note, if you wish your children to participate in celebrations during the school day, permission for **one day's** leave of absence for religious observance can be granted upon parental request.)

Thursday 11th April - Epic Tales Storytelling Day

Each class will spend time with our storyteller visitor, learning how best to tell an oral story. It's going to be lots of fun!


Friday 12th April - Bank of England visit organised by Mr Dickey.

Our World Maths Day winners will be invited to visit the Bank of England to learn more about the world of numbers and money.



My Teacher!

An Encourager, a Motivator,
a Listener and a Guide,

a kind and gentle force,
forever on my side. 

A multitasking **inspiration**,
full of cool ideas,
helping me to open doors
and conquer all my fears!

• A Juggler of many roles, •

a **Hero** through and through,
a go getter, a goal setter,
my what, why, where and who!

★ A Planner, a Deliverer... ★
★ pulling us together, ★
an all round amazing human
who changes lives **forever!**

Hello & Farewell

We will be very sorry to say a fond farewell to **Mrs Rogers** towards the middle of June. Mrs Rogers returned from maternity leave at the end of January and plans a house move to be nearer family. Mrs Rogers will be much missed for her passion for teaching and helping our children succeed in reading. She is much loved by the children and we wish her all the very best for her next role.

We would like to thank **Mrs Murphy**, who was on supply with us last term, for her SENCO work with us; assisting while Ms Qureshi, our permanent SENCO, was absent. We wish Mrs Murphy best wishes for her new role in Guernsey. We have engaged another supply SENCO for this term while Ms Qureshi undergoes further treatment and wish her a speedy recovery. If you have any queries regarding SEND, please approach your child's class teacher in the first instance.

Congratulations to **Mrs Aslam** and her husband on the birth of their baby girl. We are looking forward to meeting her soon! **Mrs Khan** will continue to cover Mrs Aslam's maternity leave until Christmas.

Farewell to **Ms Courtney** who completed her teacher training placement in Hedgehogs class last term. And a warm welcome back to **Ms Malik**, Swallows class teacher, who has returned after a placement at William Davies Primary School. Next week, we will be welcoming another SCITTELS teacher, **Ms Hussein**, to complete initial teacher training with Miss Bhatia in Hedgehogs class. We are very pleased to work with excellent providers, like SCITTELS and Goldsmiths University, training the next generation of teachers.





17th April School Council Conference & Y3&4 girls football match

22nd April Y5&6 football match against Tollgate, class photos and graduation photos

23rd April St George's Day

24th April Y1&2 Sportshall Athletics

29th April - 1st May Reception vision and hearing checks

1st May Miss Jukes: St Paul's visit with places of worship/reflection model maker winners

2nd May Polling Day - Nursery Open, **School only open for Year 6**

6th May Early May Bank Holiday - School closed

8th May Bike & Roll to School Day (bicycles, skates, roller blades, scooters, skate boards, etc)

13th - 16th May KS2 SATS week

16th May summer school census day

21st May Year 6 learning First Aid, LKS2 Production dress rehearsal

22nd May LKS2 Production 10am, 2pm

27th - 31st May Half term holiday

3rd June Back to school, Year 4 Multiplication Table Check Week 1 (MTC)

6th June London History Day - drama workshops

10th June Year 4 Multiplication Table Check Week 2, Y1 Phonics Screening Check, Healthy Eating Week

17th June Monster Kickabout and National School Sports Week

19th June Y5&6 Mixed Hockey

24th June KS1 Barbican visit

28th June Sports Day

8th July Meet my new teacher week, Hopes & Dreams awards evening

12th July Annual reports to parents, Open afternoon and art exhibition

15th July UKS2 Production dress rehearsal 2pm, Optional parent consultations after school

16th July UKS2 Production 2pm afternoon (with children) 6pm evening (adults only)

18th July Class Parties

19th July Leavers' Service, Leavers' tea END OF TERM 1:30pm